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I was sorry to hear yesterday of your illness -- sorry for your sake and sorry for ours. I was looking forward to hearing this subject discussed authoritatively. This fact of illness is something that none of us can do any thing about, so don't feel badly about the cancelation. In view of the snowfall that afternoon and evening, it is well that we began the process of cancelation as early as we did for it would have been unfair to ask you to come out here in such weather, even if you had been in the best of health.

I'm enclosing Tuesday's "Diemondback". The staff let me down by not publishing it Friday, but maybe it was just as well under the circumstances. I doubt that you appreciate being referred to as an "agent" but the editor took considerable liberties with the press release I gave him. If you would like more of these, for any reason, I have five additional copies I could send you.

Since this is my last semester (I'm here under the Air Force's "Operation Bootstrap"), I can make no statement on your kind offer to speak at a later date. I shall turn over my file on the matter to the president of the club and the circumstances of next semester will determine the matter further.

Wishing you a speedy recovery, and thanking you kindly for the time and effort you spent on this project, I am

Sincerely yours,

John K. arkin

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